

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MICHELE A. GRAHAM,

Plaintiff,

v.

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,

Defendant.

Case No. [14-cv-03965-JD](#)

**ORDER REFERRING CASE TO ADR
UNIT FOR ASSESSMENT TELEPHONE
CONFERENCE**

Pursuant to Civil Local Rule 16-8 and ADR Local Rule 2-3, the Court refers this foreclosure-related action to the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Unit for a telephone conference to assess this case's suitability for mediation or a settlement conference. Plaintiff's and defendant's counsel will participate in a telephone conference, to be scheduled by the ADR Unit as soon as possible but no later than October 15, 2014.

Plaintiff's and defendant's counsel will be prepared to discuss the following subjects:

- (1) Identification and description of claims and alleged defects in loan documents.
- (2) Prospects for loan modification.
- (3) Prospects for settlement.

The parties need not submit written materials to the ADR Unit for the telephone conference.

In preparation for the telephone conference, plaintiff will do the following:

- (1) Review relevant loan documents and investigate the claims to determine whether they have merit.
- (2) If plaintiff is seeking a loan modification to resolve all or some of the claims, plaintiff will prepare a current, accurate financial statement and gather all of the information and

documents customarily needed to support a loan modification request. Further, plaintiff will immediately notify defendant's counsel of the request for a loan modification.

(3) Provide counsel for defendant with information necessary to evaluate the prospects for loan modification, in the form of a financial statement, worksheet or application customarily used by financial institutions.

In preparation for the telephone conference, counsel for defendant will do the following.

(1) If defendant is unable or unwilling to do a loan modification after receiving notice of Plaintiff's request, counsel for defendant will promptly notify plaintiff to that effect.

(2) Arrange for a representative of each defendant with full settlement authority to participate in the telephone conference.

The ADR Unit will notify the parties of the date and time the telephone conference will be held. After the telephone conference, the ADR Unit will advise the Court of its recommendation for further ADR proceedings.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 25, 2014



JAMES DONATO
United States District Judge